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stirrup;

notches at the outer ends of said arms for engagement with one another for
releasably securing said arms together;

a strap for releasably wrapping around said arms with the notches engaged;

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fasteners. Yet a further feature is a curvature shown at 28 on lever arms 16 to minimize discomfort of the arms rubbing against the leg of the rider. The textile style wrapping strap 27 also lessens discomfort to the rider's leg.

The plan view of strap 27 is shown in FIG. 7. The narrow upward extending strap 27A is first folded over the top of lever arms 16 in the cocked or primed condition. The wider horizontal straps 27B and 27C are then wrapped around the lever arms to help secure the arms in the primed condition.

I claim:

1. In a quick release safety attachment for a stirrup having spring-loaded rods and annular bushings for the rods in a sleeve, said safety attachment resting in a stirrup strap for

releasably engaging the ends of a stirrup from the ends of the rods and a pair of lever arms extending radially outward from the sleeve having inner ends engaging the rods for controlling the disengagement of the rods from the ends of the stirrup, the improvement comprising:

an annular thin washer-like bearing within the sleeve adjacent each bushing, with an end of each spring in the sleeve pressing up against its associated bearing, said rods movably extending through the annular openings in the respective bearings for engagement with the stirrup.

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Official Action dated November 29, 2004.

Please enter this amendment since it puts the application in condition for allowance.

Application does not agree with the Examiner's rejection of claim 1 for obviousness on the combination of Bradford and Brown but in order to avoid a possible lengthy and costly appeal, claim 1 has been amended to include the elements of claim 2 and, correspondingly, claim 2 has been cancelled.

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In view of the foregoing, the application is now in condition for allowance and an early notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

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2. (Canceled)